Board of Public Works; is not that sof A. That may be so.

Q. Let us see if there are any more like it. I just took this out of your report; now just look at that as a voucher on which a public officer pays out money. A. Tes, sir. D. R. Smith just so much money. He gave the order for it. . We owed him more, probably.

Q. I told you to bring the vouchers upon which a certificate of \$12,000 was paid to Mr. Laughlin! A. Yes, sir; I have got it here.

Q. That appears on page 169 of your report. You have got the auditor's certificate you paid! A. Yes, sir.

What is the date of your auditor's certificate? A. I will tell you in a minute—M. G. Laughlin, September 26, 1873.
Q. Did you pay that on that date? A. I do Q. Is there any way of telling when you did

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pay it! A. Yes, sir.
Q. You have paid it, have you! A. Yes, sir;
canceled by the Board of Public Works.
Q. Is there any way of telling when that
was canceled! A. No, sir.
Q. Won't your books show when it was canceled! A. No, sir.
Q. Nothing in the books of the Board of
Public Works to show when any certificate was Public Works to show when any certificate was canceled! A. No, sir; there is the man's receipt on it.
Q. Let us see the date of the receipt. A.

here is not any date on the receipt.

Q. You do not date the receipts?

A. No,

Q. But there has been no regular auditing of The account by the board? A. No, str.

By the Chairman: Q. There has never been any settlement between you and the auditor to see how your account compares with his? A. Yes, sir, we have done that. Compared my account with his, and we agree.

Q. How did you do that? A. By taking all the certificates I had—all my certificates.

Q. Taking your vouchers and his yourchers?

A. Yes, sir. He has got a list of his certificates, from No. 1 up. I have taken my certificates, from No. 1 up. I have taken my certificate as far as they are paid, and compared them with his books and checked them off, and whenever there was a certificate number intervening. I would let that stands He has got a list of all the certificates.

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[Contract No. 24.—Estimated cost, \$21,530.45.]

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By the Chairman: Q. There has never been

got a list of all the certificates. WRIGHT RIVES, RECALLED. Q. I understand that you have revised your statements, or looked over them again, and and also over the statements of Mr. Oertly! A. I have looked over Mr. Oertly's statements. Q. Have you anything that you wish to put in in reference to it ! A. Yes.
Q. Have you the statement in writing? A. Yes, sir; it is as follows:

DISTRICT INVESTIGATION.

ONCLUSION OF THE INSTINONT

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COL. MOSUDER'S EXPLANATION OF ACCOUNTS—EXPLANATION OF

My statement in regard to sewers was mainly correct except that one bill had been incorporated in a subsequent bill, and that is the only correction I have to make, after consulting with Mr. Morris.

In vain I have asked for a statement of Mr. David A Convolute contrast shorting remodu.

Estimate \$23,500 46.

AOTUAL GOST OVER ESTIMATE, \$2,111 98.

Remark: Udmplete.

Actual state of the case.

May 21, 1872. No. 1018:

Asks for \$1,000 on account;

approved by A. R. Shepherd; paid

June 1, 1872. No. 1770:

Asks for \$1,200 on account;

approved by J. A. Magruder; paid

1,500

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approved by J. A. Magrader; paid
June 14 and 15, 1872. No. 1858:
On June 14 D. A. Connolly asked for
\$2,000, and Assistant Engineer Barney reported that it was perfactly
saie to advance the amount; approved by A. R. Shepherd
June 22, 1872. No. 1958:
Un June 11 Connolly asks for
measurement between
First and Second streets.
Engineer R. C. Phillips
charges W. Forsyth with
it, and he resports, on June
21, 23, 375 cubic yards grading, and haul (80 feet)
over 200 feet. This measurement is sent in, and on
it there is paid: 28, 376
yards grading, at 30 cents;
28, 376 yards grading, at 30 cents;
28, 376 yards haul, at 4
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THE MANNER AND SPIRIT" OF ADMINISTRATION BY THE BOARD OF FUNLIO WORKS.

After this unjust accusation concerning the disposition made of the revenue received from school taxes, "the manner and spirit in which selected from the general system of improvements was in augurated" is made the next subject of complaint in the argument of the leading counsel of the memorialists.

The two matters which are in this connection made the shief subjects of criticism are first, that the Board of Public Works departed from the plan submitted to the Legislative Assombly on June 26, 1871, and subsequently introduced wood and concrete personnels to a general scale of prices fixed by the board several several

MORNING, JUNE 1, 1874—DOUBLE SHEET.

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